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BASE ORDER 5605.2G

From: Commanding General To: Distribution List

Subj: CIRCULATION OF NONGOVERNMENT PRINTED MATERIAL ABOARD

MARINE CORPS BASE (MCB) CAMP LEJEUNE

Ref: (a) SECNAVINST 5720.44A

(b) 18, U.S.C. sections 1381, 1382, 2385, and 2388 (NOTAL)

(c) Articles 82, 89, 91, 117, and 134, Uniform Code of Military Justice

(d) 18, U.S.C. section 2387 (NOTAL)

- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. To establish procedures and regulations governing the circulation and distribution of nongovernmental printed publications aboard MCB, Camp Lejeune.
- 2. Cancellation. BO 5605.2F.
- 3. <u>Discussion</u>. Reference (a) encourages freedom of verbal and written expression. Such freedom of expression must, however, be balanced with propriety per Federal law, standards established by the United States Supreme Court and the Court of Military Appeals, and lawful military regulations.

4. Action

- a. The circulation or distribution of nongovernmental printed material is prohibited aboard MCB, Camp Lejeune without the prior approval of the Commanding General (CG), MCB, Camp Lejeune. Approval of requests for circulation or distribution will be granted only where the printed material does not present a clear danger to the loyalty, discipline, or morale of members of MCB, Camp Lejeune; does not interfere with the security or the performance of the mission of MCB, Camp Lejeune commands; or does not contain matter violating any law or regulation. The references apply, but are not exclusive as to the controlling regulations on this subject.
- b. All requests for circulation or distribution of nongovernmental publications shall be forwarded to the Consolidated Public Affairs Office (CPAO) and shall contain the following:
- (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the individual responsible for the circulation and distribution of the subject material aboard MCB, Camp Lejeune.
- (2) A provision agreeing to comply with all applicable regulations aboard MCB, Camp Lejeune.

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- (3) A provision agreeing to limit distribution of the printed material to the quantity, days, times, and locations determined by the CG, MCB, Camp Lejeune.
- (4) A provision that agrees to provide the means of equipment necessary for distribution as determined by the CG, MCB, Camp Lejeune.
- (5) A provision agreeing to maintain the upkeep of all newspaper racks.
 - (6) The number of issues and the distribution requested.
- c. All requests to circulate or distribute nongovernmental printed material shall be expeditiously processed to provide the CG, MCB, Camp Lejeune an opportunity to act on the request within a reasonable time.
- d. The following procedures shall be followed in processing requests to circulate or distribute nongovernment publications:
- (1) The Public Affairs Officer shall assume staff cognizance and is designated as the point of contact for all such requests.
- (2) Requests to distribute nongovernment publications aboard MCB, Camp Lejeune will be coordinated by a board consisting of representatives from the Public Affairs Office; Staff Judge Advocate; Assistant Chief of Staff, Marine Corps Community Services; and the Base Adjutant.
- (3) The Public Affairs Officer will be responsible for coordinating and staffing requests to other members of the board for a thorough but expeditious review. Once the staffing is complete, the Public Affairs Officer will forward the request with recommendations to the CG, MCB, Camp Lejeune.
- (4) Following a decision by the CG, MCB, Camp Lejeune, the Public Affairs Officer shall notify the persons responsible for the circulation with an affirmative or negative response. The letter granting permission shall state specifically the times, dates, and quantity approved for circulation.
- e. Nongovernmental publications found aboard MCB, Camp Lejeune, under circumstances indicating that circulation or distribution is in violation of this Order was intended or contemplated, shall be confiscated and the pertinent facts and circumstances will be referred to appropriate command authority for consideration of disciplinary or other action.

- f. Any person who circulates or distributes any printed material in violation of this Order shall be prosecuted under applicable law or shall be subject to appropriate administrative measures.
- g. The circulation, sale, or distribution of nongovernmental printed material by military or government officials for official purposes, Marine Corps Exchange facilities, the Recreation Program, and the Base Library is governed by other directives.
- 5. <u>Reserve Applicability</u>. This Order is not applicable to the Marine Corps Reserve.

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